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Serial No.: 10/053,929 Art Unit: 1618

Filed: January 22, 2002 Examiner: Blessing M. Fubara

For: *POROUS DRUG MATRICES AND METHODS OF MANUFACTURE THEREOF*

ATTACHMENT:

Transmittal Form – PTO/SB/21;

Fee Transmittal Form – PTO/SB/17;

Transmittal of Terminal Disclaimer, along with two (2) Statements Under 37, C.F.R. § 3.73(b);
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	First Named Inventor	Julie Straub
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	Examiner Name	Blessing M. Fubara
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Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2006 (H.R. 4818).**FEE TRANSMITTAL**
For FY 2009☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) \$180.00

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	330	165	540	270	220	110	
Design	220	110	100	50	140	70	
Plant	220	110	330	165	170	85	
Reissue	330	165	540	270	650	325	
Provisional	220	110	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
52	26

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

220 110

Multiple dependent claims

390 195

Total Claims Extra Claims Fee (\$)

Multiple Dependent Claims

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Fee (\$)

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- 3 or HP = x =

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Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): Terminal Disclaimer and Notice of Appeal (\$40), previously paid \$500 on April 9, 2007.

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on October 16, 2008, Applicants submit a Terminal Disclaimer and two (2) Statements under 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$140, the fee a Terminal Disclaimer for a large entity, to Deposit Account No. 50-3129.

Applicants also submit a Notice of Appeal. The fee for a Notice of Appeal was previously paid on April 9, 2007. The fee for a Notice of Appeal has since increased from \$500 to \$540. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$40, the difference between the fee

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Remarks

Claims 16-21 and 34 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being obvious in view of claims 1-13 and 19 of U.S. Patent No. 6,800,297 to Altreuter *et al.* In response, Applicants submit a terminal disclaimer to overcome the obviousness-type double patenting rejection.

Applicants are also submitting a Notice of Appeal and will submit an Appeal Brief to appeal the Examiner's final rejection of claims 16-21 and 34 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2001/0018072 to Unger ("Unger").

Respectfully submitted,


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